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Amendment dated: June 26, 2006
Response to Office Action dated March 24, 2006

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated March 24, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration based on the following remarks. Applicants respectfully submit that the claims as presented are in condition for allowance.

Claims 1-27 are pending in the present Application and remain for consideration upon entry of the following remarks.

Reconsideration and allowance of the claims are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Double Patenting

Claims 1-10 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1 and 6 of Hong et al., U.S. Patent 6,995,394 (hereinafter "Hong"). The Examiner alleges that although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because the instant claims are in fact broader in scope and anticipated by the patented claims.

Claims 1 and 5-7 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1-7 of Kim et al, U.S. Patent 6,936,845 (hereinafter "Kim"). The Examiner alleges that although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because the instant claims are in fact broader in scope and anticipated by the patented claims.

In response, Applicants submit herewith a terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR §1.321(c) to overcome these rejections. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the relevant rejections is respectfully requested.

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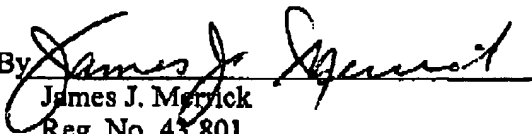
Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the instant application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that this application be allowed and a Notice of Allowance issued. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference with Applicants' attorneys would be advantageous to the disposition of this case, the Examiner is cordially requested to telephone the undersigned.

In the event the Commissioner of Patent and Trademarks deems additional fees to be due in connection with this application, Applicants' attorney hereby authorizes that such fee be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1130.

Respectfully submitted,

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